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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/965,426  
Applicant : Gary R. DelDuca *et al.*  
Filed : September 27, 2001  
Title : MODIFIED ATMOSPHERIC PACKAGES AND METHODS  
FOR MAKING THE SAME

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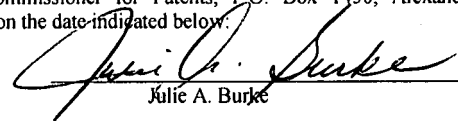
**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2007**

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Dear Commissioner:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 23, 2007. The shortened statutory time period to respond is three months or May 23, 2007 and, thus, the response is timely. In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 23, 2007, please consider the remarks:

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**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.